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Details on how to join contact your MP Account Manager or visit

<https://www.qantasbusinessrewards.com/howitworks/the-finer-details>



QANTAS Menu Select

Travellers can select their inflight meal before they board through **Menu Select**, available in Business, Premium Economy and International Economy on selected flights departing Australia. Meals can be selected online or by using the Qantas app, with exclusive online dishes offered. To access **Menu Select**, retrieve your booking at **Manage Your Booking** at qantas.com.



AIR NEW ZEALAND Adelaide—Auckland Service

Effective October 2017, Air New Zealand will launch a new service—Adelaide to Auckland on their 787-9 Dreamliner aircraft. The airline will offer Business Premier and Premium Economy classes on this route for the first time.



AIR NEW ZEALAND

AMERICAN AIRLINES Complimentary Meals

Effective 01 May 2017, American Airlines will offer complimentary main cabin meals for passengers on transcontinental flights between New York (JFK) & Los Angeles (LAX) and New York (JFK) & San Francisco (SFO).



DELTA AIR LINES Los Angeles Terminal Relocation

From 12 May, Delta Air Lines will commence relocation from Terminals 5 & 6 to Terminals 2 & 3 at Los Angeles International Airport. An airside bus will operate between Tom Bradley International Terminal and Terminals 2 & 3 that prevents the need for travellers to leave and re-enter the secure area.



VIRGIN AUSTRALIA Melbourne—LA & Hong Kong Services

Effective 04 April 2017, Virgin Australia will introduce five services each week between Melbourne and Los Angeles. The services include:

Melbourne – Los Angeles Services

VA23 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

Los Angeles – Melbourne Services

VA24 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Effective 05 July 2017:

Melbourne – Hong Kong Services

VA89 & VA87 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday

Hong Kong – Melbourne Services

VA86 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday



VIRGIN AUSTRALIA Business Class on Regional Routes

Effective now, Virgin Australia offer Business Class on these selected regional routes:

- Broom to Perth
- Brisbane to Proserpine
- Brisbane to Rockhampton
- Ballina to Sydney
- Coffs Harbour to Sydney
- Hervey Bay to Sydney
- Kalgoorlie to Melbourne
- Kalgoorlie to Perth
- Karratha to Perth
- Launceston to Sydney
- Melbourne to Mildura
- Perth to Port Hedland
- Perth to Newman



VISAS Checklist!

ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORITIES - available for selected nationalities visiting selected countries
 APPLY THROUGH THE OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITE TO AVOID PAYING EXCESSIVE THIRD PARTY FEES

HANDY LINKS FOR ELECTRONIC VISAS

- USA ESTA <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>
- Canada - Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta.asp>
- Australia – Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) <https://www.eta.immi.gov.au/ETAS3/etas>
- Australia – eVisitor <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/651-/eVisitor-Online-application>
- Sri Lanka – Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) <http://www.eta.gov.lk/slvisa/>
- Turkey – e Visa <https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/>



TIPS

- Electronic authorities must be linked to current passport and be valid for the duration of stay
- Traveller's that have multiple passports must enter and exit the relevant country on the passport linked to the electronic travel authority
- If your passport is not machine readable you may be required to apply for a visa directly with the relevant Consulate. Extra time will be required for processing.
- Apply well in advance of departure from Australia in case of unforeseen delays with the application
- For eligibility requirements and other important information contact your dedicated MP Travel Consultant or refer to the relevant countries official website

2017 DIARY

APRIL

- 14-17 Easter
- 25 Anzac Day

MAY

- 1 Labour Day (QLD)
- 14 Mother's Day

JUNE

- 12 Queen's Birthday (exc QLD, WA)
- 15-18 US Open Golf

JULY

- 03-16 Wimbeldon Tennis
- 01-23 Tour de France

AUGUST

- 16 QLD Show Day
- 28-Sep10 US Open Tennis

SEPTEMBER

- 03 Father's Day
- 29 Grand Final Holiday—VIC
- 30 AFL Grand Final

OCTOBER

- 01 NRL Grand Final
- 02 Queen's Birthday—QLD
- 02 Labour Day—NSW, ACT, SA

NOVEMBER

- 07 Melbourne Cup



MP TRAVEL TRAVELLER PROFILES

To enable seamless and hassle free bookings, please ensure your MP traveller profiles are up to date and accurate.



CHECK & UPDATE YOUR:

- ✓ Current mobile number(s) for flight schedule changes
- ✓ Current email address
- ✓ Current passport details
- ✓ Frequent Flyer numbers, Hotel Reward details

PASSPORTS:

- ✓ Most countries require passports to be valid at least 6 months beyond exiting the country. Entry will not be granted if the passport validity does not meet the required criteria. Many countries including USA also require all travellers to have a **machine readable** passport.

Please contact your dedicated MP Travel Account Manager if you have any questions or require assistance.

VIRGIN AUSTRALIA LA Lounge access

Effective now, Virgin Australia Platinum and Gold Velocity Frequent Flyer members and Business Class travellers departing from Los Angeles to Australia will now have access to the following Lounges in the Tom Bradley International Terminal prior to their departure:

- **Platinum Velocity Frequent Flyer** members will now have access to the Emirates Lounge
- **Gold Velocity Frequent Flyer** members + 1 accompanying guest will now have access to the Etihad First Class & Business Class Lounge
- **Business Class** (no accompanying guest permitted unless Virgin Frequent Flyer status allows) will continue to have access to the Etihad First Class & Business Class Lounge
- **Business Class** guests who are also Platinum Velocity Frequent Flyer members will have access to the Emirates Lounge

Both Etihad and Emirates Lounges are located on Level 6 of the Tom Bradley International Terminal. Conditions apply.

ELECTRONICS BAN

The US & UK governments are enforcing security procedures for passengers coming from selected airports to check in electronic devices larger than a mobile phone. This includes tablets, laptops, cameras, kindles etc.

Travellers are urged to check with their airline prior to departure on the latest enforcements which are likely to change over the coming months.

